

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Thomas J. JENTSCH  
Serial No.: NEW Group:  
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For: NOVEL POTASSIUM CHANNELS AND GENES ENCODING THESE  
POTASSIUM CHANNELS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 27, 2000  
(First day after Gov't  
Snow Closure)

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 46 and 48 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend the following new claims:

Claim 1 (Amended)

Line 2, change "hybridising" to --hybridizing--

Line 3, change "presented as" to --of--